

**ATHLETIC TRAINERS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD
MADISON, WI
May 12, 2003**

PRESENT: William Bartlett, Russell Delap, Heidi Gutschow,
Bradley Sherman, John Sybeldon

EXCUSED: Kathleen O'Connell

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Ryan, Bureau Director; William Black, Legal Counsel;
Grace Schwingel; DOE staff

GUEST: Ron Hermes, WPTA

CALL TO ORDER

Bradley Sherman, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum of 5 members was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: William Bartlett moved, seconded by Heidi Gutschow, to approve the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 10, 2003

MOTION: Heidi Gutschow moved, seconded by Russell Delap, to approve the minutes of February 10, 2003 as published.

BUREAU DIRECTOR, TOM RYAN

Bureau Director, Tom Ryan, introduced himself and gave a brief review of his professional background. The Board members introduced themselves.

It was decided to put a biographical sketch of each board member in the Regulatory Digest.

RULE 4.02 (5) - REVIEW AND APPROVE FOR CLEARINGHOUSE

The Board discussed the rule 4.02 (5). Legal Counsel, William Black, indicated there were some substantive changes that still need to be made as follows: The ability to evaluate needs to be clarified; referrals should always be in writing; licensees can only work within the confines of their protocol; and redundant sections of the rule should be eliminated.

Legal Counsel, William Black, will make changes to the rule as recommended by the Board.

MOTION: William Bartlett moved, seconded by John Sybeldon, to authorize Legal Counsel, William Black, to make changes to rule 4.02 (5) as recommended by the Board and send the rule to the Clearinghouse. Motion carried unanimously.

CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 02-152 – REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF REVISIONS, APPROVE TO SEND TO LEGISLATURE AFTER MEB APPROVAL OF CHANGE TO MANDATORY PROTOCOL LANGUAGE

It was noted that the Medical Board will need to approve this rule prior to its being sent to the legislature for approval. This rule will be discussed at the Medical Board's June meeting.

MOTION: William Bartlett moved, seconded by Heidi Gutschow, to send CH Rule 02-152 to the Legislature for approval, conditional on it being approved by the the Medical Board. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROPRIATE USE OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS – KATHLEEN O'CONNELL

The appropriate use of athletic trainers will be tabled to the next meeting on August 4, 2003 when Kathleen O'Connell will be available to address this issue.

The Board will write an article for the Regulatory Digest regarding title protection, addressing the use of students serving as athletic trainers who are not licensed athletic trainers.

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS THAT MAY BE SIGNED AFTER MAILING OF THE AGENDA

None

CLOSED SESSION

There were no items to discuss in closed session so the Board did not convene into closed session.

DELIBERATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS

None

DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT – CASE STATUS REPORT

None

DRL CASE, DISCIPLINE, RULES AND LEGISLATION SUMMARY REPORTS

Noted

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

Russell Delap led a discussion about the requirements for the appropriate use of the initials designating title, including LAT (Licensed Athletic Trainer), ATC (Certified Athletic Trainer) and RAT (Registered Athletic Trainer). Legal Counsel, William Black, referring to the statutes, indicated that in Wisconsin, LAT is the statutorily correct title. Russell Delap will write an article for the Regulatory Digest, including the statutory language to clarify the appropriate use of initials.

The Board discussed the protocol of requiring an athletic trainer to notify the consulting physician as soon as possible if the person being treated by the athletic trainer sustains new injuries, referring to 448.956 (1) (2) (a) (m). Some physicians are hesitant to sign as consulting physicians because it creates a liability for physicians. The Board will work on clarifying the criteria for determining who the appropriate physician would be for the athletic trainer to notify. The Board will discuss this issue at its next board meeting.

ADJOURN

MOTION: John Sybeldon moved, seconded by Russell Delap, to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting: Monday, August 4, 2003